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The Honorable J. Frederick Motz
United States District Judge
101 West Lombard Street
Baltimore, MD 21201

Re: United States v. Martin Robert Hall
Criminal #: JFM-16-0469

Dear Judge Motz:

I write to provide the Court with a status report on the above captioned case, and to request an additional 45 days for the parties to file another status report. Counsel for both parties continue to work in good faith to negotiate a pretrial resolution, although at this time, the parties anticipate the filing and litigating of suppression motions.

The forensic examination of the defendant's digital items has recently been completed and the government anticipates providing the defense with a copy of the forensic report within the week. Additionally, counsel for the defendant is from St. Louis, and will be traveling to Baltimore after the new year to meet with the defendant in person and to review the digital evidence in this case, much of which contains contraband and cannot be provided to the defense.

The parties therefore request that a status report be filed on January 30, 2017 (45 days from today's date), at which time the parties will likely ask the court to issue a scheduling order that includes deadlines for the filing of motions and a motions hearing date. If the Court approves this request, the parties will file a joint motion to exclude time under the Speedy Trial Act.

Respectfully Submitted,

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